

Dayton police receive donation of life-saving AED

Gift of FOP and Firehouse Subs Foundation

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The Dayton Police Department has received an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), for police cruisers. The donation was made by the Fraternal Order of Police as part of a grant from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation.

AEDs are devices that measures heart rhythm and can send a shock to the heart in order to treat sudden cardiac arrest. With police officers often first on the scene, these devices are becoming more and more important.

"AEDs in police cruisers save lives," Chief Richard Biehl said. "We thank the FOP for creating this partnership that will have a direct and positive impact on public safety."

FOP National President Chuck Canterbury said that the \$250,000 grant would help get 263 AEDs into the hands of police officers across the country.

"We're pleased and proud to establish a partnership with Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation," Canterbury said. "While police and firefighters like to kid each other, everyone is committed to saving lives and that's just what this program will do."

In 2005, the Firehouse Subs founders established the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation with the mission of providing funding, life-saving equipment, and educational opportunities to first-responders and public safety organizations. Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation has given more than \$24 million to hometown heroes in 46 states, Puerto Rico and Canada.

The FOP distributed the AEDs to state lodges that worked with local law enforcement to identify areas with the biggest need for this life-saving device.

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